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- The statutory basic filing fee is missing. Applicant must submit \$ 385 to complete the basic filing fee for a small entity.
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The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

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SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fee(s) required for this application is \$595 for a Small Entity

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- 1. Response Copy of Notice to File Missing Parts of Application.
- The executed Declaration and Power of Attorney. 2.
- German Certified Priority Document No. 10311762.8, filed March 18, 2003. 3.
- Information Disclosure Statement and Form PTO-1449 and cited references. 4.
- A check in the amount of \$595.00 in payment of the basic filing fee of 5. \$385.00, an additional claims fee of \$145.00 and the surcharge for late submission of the Declaration for \$65.00.

Please credit any overpayment or charge any additional fees to the Deposit Account of Crowell & Moring, LLP, Account Number 05-1323 (Docket No.: 100975.53348US. A duplicate copy of this letter is attached.

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